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Dear USDA + FSIS:

Regarding egg safety — the primary cause of infection in hens is inhumane treatment, especially the practice of forced molting. Hens are starved 5-14 days to accelerate egg production. This suppresses their immune system, causing SE illness.

Please prohibit forced molting, a primary cause of salmonella and totally inhumane.

Sincerely,
Karen Kinde

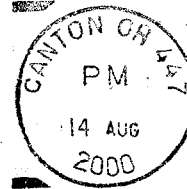
The question is not,
Can they reason? nor
Can they talk? but,
Can they suffer?

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